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December 19, 2008

**Ontario Energy Board**  
**Attention: Kirsten Walli, Board Secretary**  
2300 Yonge Street  
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Dear Ms. Walli,

**Re: Rideau St. Lawrence Distribution Inc.**  
**2009 3<sup>rd</sup> Generation Incentive Rate Mechanism Adjustment Application**  
**Ontario Energy Board File Number EB-2008-0210**

On December 17, 2008 the Board issued a letter to all distributors in regard to changes in the amounts to be charged by the IESO with respect to Rural or Remote Electricity Rate Protection (RRRP). The letter of December 17, 2008 included directions for distributors who currently have a rate application before the Board.

Specifically distributors that have a rate application before the Board shall file a copy of the Board's letter of December 17, 2008 in regard to the changes in rates for the RRRP as an update to their evidence along with a request that the RRRP charge in their tariff sheet be revised to 0.13 cents per kilowatt-hour effective May 1, 2009.

Pursuant to this direction, Rideau St. Lawrence Distribution Inc. ("RSL") is submitting the Board's letter, attached, as an update to RSL's evidence in the above captioned application and requests that RRRP charge in the respective tariff sheets be revised to 0.13 cents per kilowatt -hour effective May 1, 2009.

An electronic version of this letter has been filed on the Ontario Energy Board's RESS Filing System and two (2) hard copies have been sent by courier to the Board office to the attention of the Board Secretary.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'John Walsh', is written over a horizontal line.

John Walsh, President/CEO  
Attachment

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December 17, 2008

To: All Licensed Electricity Distributors and Retailers

**Re: Rural or Remote Electricity Rate Protection**

Ontario Regulation 442/01, Rural or Remote Electricity Rate Protection ("RRRP") (made under the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*) requires the Ontario Energy Board (the "Board") to calculate the amount to be charged by the Independent Electricity System Operator ("IESO") with respect to the RRRP for each kilowatt-hour of electricity that is withdrawn from the IESO-controlled grid.

**Amount to be charged by the IESO for RRRP**

Based on the demand forecast provided by the IESO, the Board has determined that the amount to be charged by the IESO with respect to the RRRP shall remain at the current level of 0.1 cents per kilowatt-hour effective January 1, 2009. Effective May 1, 2009, the IESO's RRRP charge shall be 0.13 cents per kilowatt-hour.

**Amount to be Charged by Distributors and Retailers for RRRP**

Effective January 1, 2009, the RRRP charge shall remain at the current level of 0.1 cents per kilowatt-hour.

Effective May 1, 2009, the RRRP charge shall be 0.13 cents per kilowatt-hour.

After May 1, 2009 the RRRP charge shall remain at 0.13 cents per kilowatt-hour until such time as the Board revises it.

Distributors that currently have a rate application before the Board shall file this letter as an update to their evidence along with a request that the RRRP charge in their tariff sheet be revised to 0.13 cents per kilowatt-hour effective May 1, 2009.

Where a distributor does not have a rate application before the Board, the distributor shall make an application to the Board to alter the RRRP charge in its tariff sheet effective May 1, 2009 to 0.13 cents per kilowatt-hour.

In the collection of this amount from customers, the customer's metered energy consumption shall be adjusted by the Total Loss Factor as approved by the Board.

The Board wishes to remind all distributors and retailers that in accordance with subsection 5(6) of the Regulation:

A distributor or retailer who bills a consumer for electricity shall aggregate the amount that the consumer is required to contribute to the compensation required by subsection 79(3) of the Act with the wholesale market service rate described in the Electricity Distribution Rate Handbook issued by the Board, as it read on October 31, 2001.

Yours Truly,

Original Signed By

Kirsten Walli  
Board Secretary